

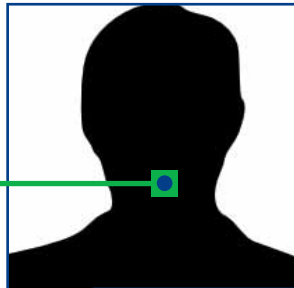
The 2012 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly adjourned on April 12. Subsequently, Gov. Steve Beshear called an Extraordinary Session, which adjourned on April 20, to address pill mills. The following bills of interest to law enforcement were passed during these two sessions. Unless otherwise noted, the following bills will become effective on July 12, 2012.

House Bill 467 **An act relating to stroke response and treatment**

House Bill 467 revises various statutes under KRS Chapter 39F related to searches and rescue of missing persons who are impaired. Changes are made to the definition of "impaired persons," under KRS 39F.010, by creating two categories of impaired persons whose disappearance may pose a credible threat to the health or safety of the person: (1) Those persons with developmental disabilities, including but not limited to autism or traumatic brain injury; and (2) Those persons with physical, mental, or cognitive impairment or organic brain disorder, including but not limited to Alzheimer's disease. Under the bill, the first category of persons is immediately reported as a Golden Alert D to the local emergency management director, local search and rescue coordinator, and local media outlets. The second category of missing impaired persons is immediately reported as a Golden Alert to the local emergency management director, local search and rescue coordinator, and local media outlets. Finally, this bill creates a new section of KRS Chapter 39F to require course instruction in the behavioral characteristics and proper care of lost persons and the promulgation of administrative regulations by the state Division of Emergency Management to establish course curriculum.

House Bill 171 **An act relating to deadly weapons**

This bill amends KRS 527.020 to expand those who may carry a concealed deadly weapon statewide with a concealed deadly weapon license, to include a retired commonwealth's or county attorney and retired assistant commonwealth's or county attorneys.



House Bill 71 **An act relating to probate fees**

This bill exempts the estate of a police officer, sheriff or deputy sheriff killed in the line of duty, whose spouse or children are eligible for the state death benefit, from having to pay all probate fees.



House Bill 390 **An act relating to metal**

House Bill 390 creates new sections in KRS Chapter 433 to create a registry containing identifying information about sellers of various metals and providing for dealers/recyclers to report such sales to local law enforcement upon request. Additionally, the bill requires metals recyclers to register with the Office of Occupations and Professions of the Public Protection Cabinet and prohibits cash transactions for recycled metals. It also requires metals, recyclers to electronically report all transactions to the local sheriff and police department in the town in which the transaction took place. Finally, the bill also creates a new criminal offense of unlawfully acquiring metals, the penalty which is based upon the value of any property mutilated or damaged while attempting to obtain the metal.



House Bill 369 **An act relating to the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program Fund**

This bill amends KRS 15.460 and 15.470 to provide that peace officers who participate in the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program Fund shall continue to receive the KLEFPF salary supplement during periods in which they are called to active duty with the U.S. Armed Forces.

